588. [*Transferred to the 7th May, 1992.*]

Measures to eradicate rural-poverty

589. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA : Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 4432-B given in Rajya Sabha on 30th March, 1992 and state what measures are being taken by Government not only to eradicate rural poverty but also to develop appropriate self-managing organisations and delivery systems for integrated development at the village, block and district levels ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ) : Major Programmes like Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP), which provides self-employment opportunities to the rural poor, and Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY) which gives wage employment in rural areas are going to continue for alleviation of rural poverty. An integrated approach in implementing various development activities is expected to be adopted for achieving a better impact on the problem of poverty in future.

As regards development of appropriate self managing organisations and delivery system for integrated development at the village, block and district levels, suitable measures are being devised for inclusion in the Eighth Plan document.

Creation of self-employment opportunities

590. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE :

SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD :

Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether any comprehensive programme for creating self-employment opportunities has been set out for the current year;

(b) if so, what is the number of such self-employment opportunities to be generated thereunder and the allocations made thereof in the Central and State Plans; and

(c) what are the details of the programme and how the ongoing schemes like the Jawahar Rozgar Yojana will be coordinated herewith ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ) : (a) to (c) No single comprehensive programme for creating self employment opportunities has been launched in the current year. However, the major on-going Central and Centrally Sponsored self-employment schemes are being continued in 1992-93. Details are given in the Statement. (*See* below).

The Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY) aims at generating unskilled wage employment through taking up works for creating productive assets in the rural areas. Efforts would be made to implement the JRY and IRDP schemes as an integral part of the local area plans during the Eighth Plan.